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McNamara Cites All For Christmas Airlift

Americans in 50 states, the Air Force Reserve and Air National Guard have been congratulated by Secretary of Defense Robert S. McNamara for overall participation in Operation Christmas Star.

Secretary McNamara cited the operation as "a remarkable and heartening airlift to servicemen in Vietnam."

More than 470 tons of gifts from Americans in every state were flown in 85 missions by USAFR and ANG crews who volunteered to complete the operation in time for Christmas delivery. Air crews, given time off by their employers, volunteered for the missions in November when it became apparent that there were more gifts for U.S. forces in RVN than could possibly be transported by normal methods in time for the holiday.

Without the support of all, Secretary McNamara said the success of Operation Christmas Star would not have been possible. "I think," he stated, "Operation Christmas Star is an airlift in which the entire nation can take pride."

Two U.S. Aircraft Carriers Set Combat Records in RVN

Aircraft carriers USS Oriskany and USS Independence have returned home after setting records during extended combat off the Republic of Vietnam coast.

Independence, commanded by Capt. John E. Kennedy, logged 10,309 sorties, breaking nearly all its own operational records during five months of intensive operations.

Oriskany, commanded by Capt. Bartholomew J. Connolly III, was deployed nine months, including six and-a-half months' combat in RVN waters.

Oriskany delivered 8,473 tons of ordnance, logging 12,070 sorties—the largest number ever achieved by any carrier in a single combat deployment, including World War II and the Korean Conflict.

A record was also established for total number of arrested landings and for safe and speedy underway ordnance replenishment.

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AWARD FOR LIFESAVING—Brig. Gen. Jack S. Blocker (left), Assistant Division Commander, 3rd Infantry Division, receives the Soldier's Medal, Army's highest peacetime award for valor, from Maj. Gen. Albert O. Connor, Marne Division Commanding General. General Blocker saved the life of a German civilian drowning in the Main River last summer.

U.S. Lawyers Hold Seminar With S. Korean Bar Assoc.

Aspects of U.S. military justice, military procurement and claims settlements in foreign countries were among subjects discussed by U.S. Forces Korea staff judge advocate officers in a four-day series of lectures for members of the Korean legal profession at the Seoul Civil Court Auditorium.

The seminar was held to provide continuing education for Korean lawyers and to bring about a greater mutual understanding between judges, prosecutors and practicing attorneys and foreign lawyers' customs, laws and practices.

MC General Reelected to Olympic Board

Lt. Gen. Henry W. Buse Jr., USMC, Deputy Chief of Staff (Plans and Programs), has been elected to a second term on the Olympic Board of Directors and will serve on the executive committee. First term board members are Maj. Gen. J. C. Lambert, USA, The Adjutant General; RAdm. B. M. Strean, USN, Deputy and Assistant Chief of Naval Personnel; and Maj. Gen. G. B. Greene Jr., USAF, Deputy Chief of Staff Personnel, for Military Personnel.

Washington Memos

BULK OF PROGRAMMING for new armed forces television stations in RVN will be provided by AFRTS Los Angeles. Programs will consist primarily of same top U.S. TV network programming provided to 43 other AFRTS outlets located around the world. Programs are made available through outstanding cooperation of U.S. radio and television industry, its unions, guilds, sponsors, entertainment and production personnel who generously give of their services and materials.

PUBLIC PAPERS OF President Lyndon B. Johnson are being offered for sale by Government Printing Office. Offering comes in two books containing President's messages to Congress, public speeches, news conferences, radio and television reports, public letters and remarks to informal groups. Books cover Nov. 22, 1963 through Dec. 31, 1964.

LETTER OF INTENT from Government of Saudi Arabia for purchase of Hawk ground-to-air missile systems for an amount in excess of $100 million was received by Raytheon Company Dec. 22. Systems will be supplied in accordance with U.S. State Department policy as part of new, modern Saudi Arabia air defense system.

CLOCK TOWER IN Fourth U.S. Army Quadrangle, Ft. Sam Houston, Tex., has been proclaimed an official historic site by the Texas and Bexar County Historical survey committees. The installation was established in 1879.

A NATION-WIDE series of small business sub-contracting conferences was launched in Los Angeles Dec. 15. Purpose of the meeting was to assure greater sub-contracting opportunities for small business and the criteria necessary to convert such to awards. Many government agencies and business associations were represented.

SHIPS FROM CANADA, The Netherlands, United Kingdom and United States will operate under NATO's Flag on exercise "Match Maker II," beginning Jan. 11. The exercise is being scheduled by Supreme Allied Commander, Atlantic, Norfolk, Va. Efficiency of supply and logistics under standardized NATO procedures will be evaluated during stops at many NATO countries.

CONFIDENTIAL SECRETARY TO every Chief of Staff of the U.S. Army, beginning with Gen. George C. Marshall, Miss Mona K. Nason retired Dec. 25 after 34 years, seven months of service to U.S. Government. Besides Gen. Marshall she served Gens. Dwight D. Eisenhower, Omar N. Bradley, J. Lawton Collins, Matthew B. Ridgway, Maxwell D. Taylor, Lyman L. Lemnitzer, George H. Decker and Earle G. Wheeler.

CORREGIDOR, ONE-TIME Gibraltar of the East, has been designated a national shrine by the Philippine Government. A memorial will be erected, on the elevated western portion of the island, to all Americans and Filipinos who took part in the Pacific campaign. Memorial dedication is scheduled for April 1967. Plans are underway to construct a rest pavilion and war museum on the island.

LOCKHEED-CALIFORNIA COMPANY will build 10 prototypes of an advanced combat helicopter for Army. Most of the work on high-speed compound helicopter—a winged rotorcraft with forward thrust engine —will be done at Lockheed's Van Nuys, Calif., plant. Army designation for the aircraft is the Advanced Aerial Fire Support System.

DR. ROBERT LADO, Dean of Georgetown University's Institute of Languages and Linguistics told 51 graduates of Defense Language Institute, East Coast Branch, "Having penetrated the language of another people you have achieved the initial breakthrough enabling you to hear through their words, see through their eyes, and understand what they mean." Graduates had completed one of seven language courses.

COL. LOUIS DE GOES, chief of the Propulsion Directorate, Foreign Technology Division, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio, has been selected to receive the Sports Illustrated Silver Anniversary All-America Award for 1965. The Colorado School of Mines graduate is one of 25 senior collegiate football players who, cited by their alma maters for great accomplishments since graduation, were selected for the honor.

A .22 CALIBER training device, designed by the 2nd Armored Division, Ft. Hood, Tex., replaced M-73 coaxial machine gun during Ft. Hood's 1965 tank gunnery program. A .22 caliber bolt action rifle mounted in modified 105mm or 90mm shell casing provides adequate fire power for training at one-twelfth the cost of coaxial machine gun ammunition. The device has been adopted for use by Imperial Iranian Ground Forces, Iran.

MARINE BIOLOGY SEMINAR, sponsored by Ventura College and Naval Missile Center, Point Mugu, Calif., is scheduled to begin in early 1966. Purpose of seminar is to provide training in field of marine biology to superior students. Class will consist of 20 outstanding students from Ventura County.

LT. GEN. JOSEPH H. Moore, USAF, Commanding General, 2nd Air Division, Saigon, praised the American public and its response to welfare of servicemen in Vietnam. Commenting on letters, Christmas cards and tons of gifts sent to Vietnam, Gen. Moore said, "The spontaneous support for the fighting forces here represents tangible evidence of the American public's deep concern for their welfare and sincere appreciation of their efforts."

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Background for Commanders

Mao Tse-tung's Blueprint for World Revolution

"War can temper the people and push history forward. In this sense, war is a great school."

So wrote Communist China's defense minister Lin Piao in an 18,000-word manifesto, "Long Live the Victory of the People's War," published Sept. 3, 1965.

The article has attracted worldwide attention as a candid statement of Red China's tactics and strategy for attaining world Communist domination. It has even been compared to Hitler's "Mein Kampf."

Lin Piao emphasized that Vietnam is a current example of a "people's war" or "war of national liberation," and therefore a test case of Mao's doctrines. Elevating Mao's guerrilla warfare theories from the local to the international level, Lin predicted that "the rural areas of the world" (Asia, Africa and Latin America) could isolate and then defeat the "cities of the world" (North America, Western Europe).

Four objectives Peiping says Communists must seek:

1. Strategy of "Protracted War"

The first step is agreement to fight a "protracted war" rather than try for a quick victory over the target country's government forces. This is necessary because the Communists often are small in numbers and militarily weak, while the government to be overthrown is large and strong.

Such a war is to be fought in three stages: guerrilla harassment of the enemy; "battles of annihilation" by enlarged and better-equipped guerrilla units against isolated enemy units; massive attacks by now powerful guerrilla armies against weakened and demoralized national defense forces.

In the early phase of this kind of war, Lin said, "it is essential to undertake long-term and painstaking work among the peasants and establish revolutionary base areas in the countryside." From these base areas, an army would be built up and indoctrinated by the Communist Party, which would exercise leadership.

Lin stressed that the essence of Mao Tse-tung's theory of building a people's army "is that . . . prominence must be given to politics, that is, the army must first and foremost be built on a political basis."

2. Creation of a "United Front"

While protracted war is pursued, it is imperative to win the support of as many "classes" of society as possible, with the "worker-peasant" alliance as the foundation. All classes of society must be offered promises, programs, and goals that appeal to them—even if the Communist Party does not believe in the slogans and has no intention of carrying them out.

But at no time is the Communist Party to deviate from its actual goals or submerge its organization in the united front.

As for "anti-Communist diehards" who refuse to cooperate with the united front, the party adopts a policy of "struggling against and isolating them;" and when necessary, the party must "destroy" them.

3. Doctrine of Continuous Revolution

With the war won and Communist elements in control, the next step is the "national-democratic revolution," originally launched under cover of a united front. Afterward would come "socialist revolution," or advanced collectivization, which the masses must gradually be forced to accept while any remaining opposition is eliminated or rendered ineffective.

The Communist Party must lead all the way: ". . . the revolution can only be, nay must be, led by the proletariat and the genuinely revolutionary party armed with Marxism-Leninism, and by no other class or party."

4. "Proletarian World Revolution"

This is the way Peiping sees it:

"Taking the entire globe, if North America and Western Europe can be called 'the cities of the world,' then Asia, Africa and Latin America constitute 'the rural areas of the world.' . . . In a sense, the contemporary world revolution also presents a picture of the encirclement of the cities by the rural areas.

"In the final analysis, the whole cause of world revolution hinges on the revolutionary struggles of the Asian, African and Latin American peoples who make up the overwhelming majority of the world's population.

"The socialist (Communist) countries should regard it as their international duty to support the people's revolutionary struggles in Asia, Africa and Latin America."

With revolutions organized everywhere, the Maoists insist, there will be a "torrential world tide of opposition" to the United States and its allies, who then "can be split up and defeated."

Significance of Lin Piao Message Will Be Stressed To Members of U.S. Armed Forces at All Levels

In view of the deep significance which experts on Red China attach to Lin Piao's article, *Long Live the Victory of the People's War*, all major communications media will be used to inform members of the U.S. armed forces about this article and what this Red Chinese blueprint means to the free world. Programmed for the winter and spring of 1966 are: a reprint of the article for information officers and service libraries; a digest in pamphlet form, counterbalanced by U.S. policy; a motion picture focusing on chief points, with U.S. rebuttal; spot announcements on Armed Forces Radio and Television Stations, and an editorial in *Armed Forces Press File*.

DOD List Shows 500 R&D Prime Contractors

Department of Defense has compiled a listing of 500 military prime contractors according to net value of $10,000 awards or more for research, development, tests and evaluation during FY65.

The list includes 367 U.S. business firms; 130 educational institutions, government agencies and other non-profit institutions; and three foreign contractors.

Nine of the top 10 are U.S. business firms. General Dynamics Corp. heads the list.

In 10th place is the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, a non-profit organization.

One foreign contractor, Canadian Commercial Corp., is listed 85th with the other foreign contractors listed 379 and 467.

166 Army Distaff in RVN

The Army has disclosed that it has 166 service women in the Republic of Vietnam, performing duties as nurses, secretaries and advisors to the Vietnamese Women's Army Corps. The Army has assigned 155 nurses to hospitals in the Republic. Nine WACs are stenographers in Saigon and two WACs are assigned as advisors to the Vietnamese Women's Army Corps.

RIVER CROSSING—Two Marines from "G" Company, Second Battalion, Ninth Marine Regiment, Third Marine Division, use a makeshift raft to keep equipment dry during a river crossing in operations south of Da Nang, Republic of Vietnam.

Guam Apollo Moon Station Completed

The first Apollo moon-ship ground station was completed on Guam last month. The station is one of 10 scheduled for construction.

Collins Radio Co., which has the $25 million contract to equip the ground stations, has been installing electronic equipment since November.

Although built in record time, the Guam facility was constructed to last and withstand the typhoons which sometimes hit the island. The 30-foot antenna can be braced to weather winds up to 200 mph.

AF Fog Dissipation Tests Slated for U.S., Germany

"Operation Snowman," an experiment to attempt dissipation of one of flying's worst hazards—fog, will soon be conducted at two overseas air bases and four U.S. Air Force bases by the Cambridge (Mass.) Research Center.

Sticks of dry ice will be suspended in the midst of fog clouds by balloons. As molecules of water (fog components) come in contact with the dry ice, crystals of ice will form and drop to the ground.

PERSONNEL ACTIONS

Brig. Gen. William K. Jones, USMC, CG, Force Troops, Pacific, and CG, MCB Twentynine Palms, Calif., reassigned to U.S. Military Assistance Command, Vietnam. **Brig. Gen. Virgil W. Banning, USMC,** relieved General Jones Dec. 27 and received one-star rank at that time. HQMC announces pending retirement of **Brig. Gen. Joseph S. Reynaud, USMC,** current Deputy Assistant Director, Plans, Programs and Systems, Defense Supply Agency Headquarters. **Brig. Gen. Robert R. Linvill, USA,** to replace **Lt. Gen. Bruce Palmer Jr., USA,** as Deputy CG, Inter-American Peace Force, Dominican Republic and as Commander, U.S. Forces, Dominican Republic. General Palmer to return to previous assignment as CG, XVIII Airborne Corps, Ft. Bragg, N.C. **Maj. Gen. G. V. Underwood Jr., USA,** Chief of Information, assigned to U.S. Army, Europe, to be senior Army Air Defense officer and command all Air Defense units there.

CONTRACT AWARDS

General Motors Corp., Allison Division, Warren, Mich.: $17,016,613 initial increment to a $43,728,095 cost-plus-award fee contract for continuation of Phase III, US-FRG Main Battle Tank Development Program. **(Army)**

Sperry Gyroscope Co., Syosset, N.Y.: $1,850,000 letter contract for development of instrumentation and control subsystem for the Nuclear Powered Deep Submergence Research and Ocean Engineering Vehicle. (NR-1). **(Navy)**

Analytical Services, Inc., Falls Church, Va.: $1,300,000 increment to a previously awarded contract for analytical studies pertaining to the application of weapons systems. **(Air Force)**

DeRossi and Son Co., Vineland, N.J.: $1,987,500 fixed-price contract for 150,000 men's wool serge coats. **(DSA)**

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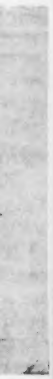

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